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Mr. Chris D. Field Manager, Emergency Response Team U.S. Environmental Protection Agency - Region 10 1200 Sixth Avenue, Suite 900 Seattle, WA 98101-3140

Dear Mr. Field:

- 1. As you are aware, LST-1166 (ex-USS Washtenaw County) clean-up efforts continue under the Oil Pollution Act (OPA) and Comprehensive Environmental Recovery, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). Emergency removal actions have been completed. Non-time-critical removal actions continue. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has the expertise necessary for this stage of the response. As such, I request that EPA conduct an Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis (EE/CA) under 40 CFR 300 to determine the removal alternatives for LST-1166.
- 2. Accordingly, EPA may use all authority provided under 40 CFR 300 to conduct the EE/CA. I will retain all FOSC authority.

Sincerely,

D. E. KAUP

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard Commander, Sector Columbia River

Federal On-Scene Coordinator for the Coastal Zone